

# MINUTES - AGENCY MEETING - April 16, 2013

Time & Place:	<ul><li>12:00 Noon, Ebenezer Watts Conference Center,</li><li>49 S. Fitzhugh Street, Rochester, New York</li></ul>
Board Present:	T. Mazzullo (Chair), A. Burr, E. Caccamise, C. Campbell, R. Gerbracht, S. Moore, H. Stuart
Also Present:	J. Seil (Executive Director), R. Yolevich (Monroe County Legislature), E. Liberti, M. Townsend, Esq.

Chair Mazzullo called the meeting to order. H. Stuart led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Mazzullo then announced that Mr. Stuart had submitted his resignation effective following this meeting. Chair Mazzullo thanked Mr. Stuart for his fourteen years of service to the Board.

Chair Mazzullo opened the Public Forum. There being no speakers, the Public Forum was closed.

Yvonne Lowrey of Loewke Brill Consulting Group, Inc. presented the Monitoring Report for the period of March 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013. During that time, 67 monthly visits and 1 follow up visit were conducted. Of the 481 workers that were identified, one was noncompliant on the initial visit. As of March 31, 2013 all monitored sites were compliant. Loewke & Brill delivered signs to 4 new projects.

J. Seil presented the following applications for agency consideration:

## Schuler-Haas Electric Corp. EquiPlus

The company was represented by Ed Schuler. Schuler-Haas Electric Corp. (SH), a fully licensed and bonded Union Electrical Contractor founded in 1961, recently relocated to an existing 22,000 square foot building in the Town of Henrietta. SH is proposing to invest approximately \$117,500 in equipment and renovations. The project will impact 63 FTEs and is projected to create 2 new FTEs over the next three years. SH has been approved for the GreatRebate program through Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation and is seeking approval of the EquiPlus program. Upon inquiry by the Chair, the applicant representative confirmed that he is aware of the Local Labor requirements. After a brief discussion and on a motion made by R. Gerbracht and seconded by A. Burr, an inducement and final resolution was adopted approving subject project. All Aye.

#### Simcona Electronics Corp.

Sales Tax Exemptions Only

The company was represented by Marc Iacona. Simcona Electronics Corp., a wholesale distributor of wire and electronic components founded in 1962, is proposing to renovate its existing 30,000 square foot building in the City of Rochester. Simcona expects that the much-needed and long-deferred improvements, equipment and furnishings will improve efficiency and operations. The \$825,000 project will impact 39 FTEs and is projected to create 4 new FTEs over the next three years. The applicant is seeking approval of sales tax exemption only. Upon inquiry by the Chair, the applicant representative confirmed that he is aware of the Local Labor requirements. After a brief discussion and on a motion made by C. Campbell and seconded by R. Gerbracht, an inducement and final resolution was adopted approving subject project. All Aye.

### LiDestri Foods, Inc. Sales & Mortgage Tax Exemptions Only

LiDestri Foods, Inc. (LiDestri) is a private label and contract manufacturer of food products, primarily sauces, dips and salsas. Headquartered in Fairport NY, LiDestri has manufacturing facilities in Fairport, Rochester; Pennsylvania, New Jersey and California. Since October 2009, LiDestri has purchased two former Kodak buildings in the Eastman Business Park in the Town of Greece, and relocated its Dundee NY and Pennsauken NJ operations to the new location, investing over \$60 Million. LiDestri is now proposing to create an Innovation Center of Excellence to support their food, beverage and spirits businesses. The \$5,300,000 project will impact 651 jobs locally and is projected to create 6 new FTEs over three years. LiDestri is seeking is seeking sales and mortgage tax exemption on the project. LiDestri considered its locations in New Jersey and California for this project. A Public Hearing was held April 15, 2013 in the Town of Greece. Upon inquiry by the Chair, Executive Director Seil confirmed that the applicant is aware of the Local Labor requirements as evidenced by their signature on the Appendix B of the application. After a brief discussion and on a motion made by E. Caccamise and seconded by A. Burr, an inducement and final resolution was adopted approving subject project. All Aye.

On motion made by C. Campbell and seconded by R. Gerbracht, minutes for the meeting of March 19, 2013 were reviewed and adopted and approved. All Aye.

Executive Director noted that the recently approved New York State budget reinstates the retail prohibitions on granting financial assistance with the exception of tourist destination, highly distressed area or provision of goods and or services not otherwise reasonably accessible. Director Seil also noted new reporting and other requirements, and is working with Harris Beach PPLC to address these matters.

Executive Director Seil presented the following item for Agency Action:

## **Terminations:**

#### -Boulder Point Developers Inc.

On a motion made by H. Stuart and seconded by E. Caccamise, a resolution was adopted approving the termination of the above named project. All Aye.

There being no further business, on a motion made by H. Stuart and seconded by S. Moore, the meeting was adjourned.